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NEW CONGRESS OPENS

First Step Taken Toward Ousting Mormon Roberts.

HOUSE ADOPTS REED RULES

M morials Presented to Senate Agains Scating of M. S. Quay, Gen, Henderson Installed as Speaker. Tributes of Respect to Hobart's Memory.

(By Telegraph.)

WASHINGTON. Dec. 4.—Enormour rowds witnessed the opening scenes is

ng. e blind chaplain, Rev. Henry Cou-of Michigan, offered prayer. Then reading clerk began calling the

name and when his name was he responded "here" in a loud But he looked nervous and ill

nominated John C. Bell, of Coiorado, as the Populist candidate, and Mr. Wilson, of Idaho, placed Francis G. Newlands, of Nevada, in nomination as the candidate for the silver party. Each party having put forward its candidate by the direction of the clerk, the roll was called and each member voted for the candidate of his political affiliation.

the ron voted for the candidate of affiliation,
HGW THE VOTE STOOD.
The roll call resulted: Henderson, 177: Richardson, 153; Bell, 4, and Newlands, 2. The clerk thereupon announced the clection of Mr. Henderson amid great candidate. He designated wonlause. He designated Republican applause. He designa Mr. Richardson, Mr. Bell and Mr. No lands as a committee to escort the speaker to the chair.

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The committee retired to the lobby and after a short wait the doors of the main portal of the House swung open and General Henderson entered upon the arm of Mr. Richardson, followed by the two other members of the committee. When he ascended the rostroup Mr. Richardson, in a neat speech, introduced him and in response to the hearty cheers he addressed the House as follows:

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GEN. HENDERSON SPEARS.

"Gentlemen of the House of Representatives: The voice of this House has called me to grave responsibilities. For that call I am most profoundly grateful and I am keenly sensible of the weight of the responsibilities that attach to this great office. I am encouraged, however, by the thought that no member of this body can escape responsibility, either to his people or to his country. All of us are under bonds to do our best.

"The approval of the country; the ap-

proval of one's over conscience; the at-tainment of great results, are not se-cured by netty contests on narrow golds, but must be sought and won or broad, patriotic lines of thought and action.

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"It is my duty, as it will be my aim and pleasure, to impartially administer the laws adopted for our government but no Speaker can be successful unless he has the co-operation of the members of this house.

"The generous put failty and kin iness that have been shown to me by the entire membership here, carourage me to believe that such imperfections as I may have will be modified by the considerate and supporting disposition of those constituting this great body.

"I am ready to take the oath of office."

SWEARING HIM IN.

accordance with the time honor-custom, the oldest member of the use in point of service. Mr. Hurmer Pennsylvania, who has served 24 rs in the lower branch of Congress anisticed the oath to the Speaker earing in the areas in froat of the &s dock, he read the oath to the

HE IS TOLD TO STEP ASIDE.

the so, replied Mr. Roberts, with understanding that by my action I be none of my rights."
I come of the gentleman's rights will obst." said the Speaker and Mr. uts thereupon retired quietly to his. There was no demonstration

ROBERTS CASE REFERRED

The remaining members were then sworn in after which Mr. Tayler immediately offered his resolution to restrict the case of Mr. Roberts to a special committee. The resolution was as follows:

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"Whereas, It is charged that Brigham rl. Roberts, a member-elect of the Fifty-sixth Congress from the state of Itah, is incligible to a seat in the House of Representatives, and "Whereas, Such a charge is made through a member of the House on his responsibility as such member and on the basis, as he asserts, of public records, affidavits and papers evidencing such ineligibility.

"Resolved, That the question of the prima facile right of Brigham H. Roberts to be sworn in as a Representative from the state of Itah in the Fifty-sixth Congress as well as his final right to a seat therein as such Representative from the state of Itah in the Fifty-sixth Congress as well as his final right to a seat therein as such Representative, be referred to a special committee of nine members of the House to be appointed by the Speaker; and until such committee such question and the House decide such question and right, the said. Brigham H. Roberts shall not be sworn in or be permitted to occupy a scat in this House; and said committee shall have power to send for persons and papers and examine witnesses on oath in relation to the subject matter of this resolution."

An agreement was then reached by which the consideration of the resolution should be postponed until tomorrow after the reading of the President's message. The excitement thereupon

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British and Boers Fought Savage- Congressional Early Birds Have

ly at Modder River.

Freuch and German Artilleriats Were Behind the Boer Guns. Gea. Methuen's Vauguard is Believed to Have Entered Elmberley.

(By Telegraph,) LONDON, Dec. 5.—The correspondent f the Assemted Press with General ord Methuen's column, telegraphing The Waterloo of the campaign has fought and won. The battle conducted with unprecedent-stubiornness on both sides. was one continuous roar like the

of countless firecrackers, no flinching on either side

oss bring on the Eritish attack. A cer Hatchkill was directed with mar-lous accuracy against a British Max-ik killing the sergeant in charge, counding an officer and disabling the m. This occurred quite at the begin-ing of the engagement. Whenever the acr fire was silenced in one direction was immediately reopened in an-her.

GAVE NO QUARTER.

s reported that General Conje, is contingent, retreated toward erg at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, followed in the direction of Ja, and the main Lody of the Bors with the guns about eight in which

General Cronje was in supreme com-nand. He had to whip his men to pre-vent them from deserting and despite his many threw down their rifles and bat."

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The Evening News says it learns that a cable despatch was received today from an officer of the guards saying: "In Kimberley," which, it is added, may mean that General Methuen's vanguard has enter-ed Kimberley.

SIEGE IS RAISED

CAPE TOWN, Thursday, Nov. 30.— he Cape Times has the following de-patch from Mafeking:

POULD RATHER FIGHT THAN TALK

Gen. Joe Wheeler Evinces No Desire to Return to Congress. (By Telegraph.)

of the War Department assert that they know nothing of any such purpose on the part of that officer. Certainly la-has not yet applied to the department for leave of absence, although perhaps it may not be necessary for him to go

for leave of absence, although perhaps it may not be necessary for him to go further than his immediate superior officer. General Otis, to secure permission to return to the states.

In that case, however, his leave would be limited to sixty days. The officials point to the decision of the last House that General Wheeler forfeited his seat in the House by holding his army commission and make the point that the conditions now are precisely similar, so that if the General returns he must either resign his commission or his seat in Congress. It is suggested that a solution of the problem might be had by appointing the general to be a major general and retring him at once, in which case as a retired officer, he might continue in the legislative branch under the decision in the case of General Sickles.

MILEER CAPIURED IN MONTREAL

Abscanding Head of the Swindling Fra (By Telegraph.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 4—In a telegram re-served her tonight at the local office of the Mooney and Boland Detectiv the Mooney and Boland Defective Agency, the capture of William F. Mil-Agency, the capture of William F. Mil-ler, accused of having been connected with the Franklin syndicate swindle in New York, was announced at having been effected at Montreal by the agency's operatives, who have been in pursuit of the fugitive since his disappearance ten days ago.

NO QUARTER GIVEN MEASURES ON RECORD

Their Bills Filed.

WATERLOO OF THE CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL BILL IN FIRST

Shipping Bill Introduced by Mr. Payne, o New York T. xt of Currency Bill Made Arch at Chattanooga.

(By Telegraph.)

is to be made, provides a compensation of per gross ton for each 100

TENT OF CURRENCY BILL.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The full
axt of the currency bill prepared by
the Republican members of the Senate
linance Committee was made public
day, it establishes the gold dolla

TREASURY NOTES RETIRED.

REFUNDING OF BONDS The Secretary of the Treasury is au-horized to refund any of the outstand-ing five per cent, bonds of the United States payable in 1904, and 4 per cent, bends payable in 1907, and 2 per cent, bends payable in 1908, and to issue in thereafter bonds

exchange thereafter bonds bearing 2 per cent, interest, the principal payable at the pleasure of the United States after thirty years.

The provides for the issue by rational banks of notes equal in face value to the par value of the bonds deposited by them and the tax on the circulation of such banks is fixed at 1-4 of one per cent, each haf year upon average amount of the circulating note and based on 3 per cent, bonds.

FOR A MEMORIAL ARCH.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Representation of the fellowing bill for the creetion of a memorial arch on the Chickaranger best for the creetion of a memorial arch on the Chickaranger best feel.

armies and large forces representing all the other main armies of the North and the South the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and direced to orect at Chattanooga, Tenn, ander the provision of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga. National Park Commission and their engineer, upon such site as the said secretary may deem most suchable, a memerial arch to be known as the Arch of Nationality to commenders the hereism of the American sider and the complete union with has resulted from the joint military service of all sections in the war with Spain. The several dimensions of the Arch De Triomphe in Paris and its main portions shall be constructed of massive blocks of grantle.

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Section 2—The design for the arch
shall be procured by a commission conshall be procured by a commission consisting of the Secretary of War, the chi f of engineers, the chairman of the military committees of the two houses of Congress and the Chickamauga and Chattano ga Park Commission, and the excition of the arch shall proceed under the supervision of the park commission, directed y the Secretary of War.

War.
Section 3—Upon the inner walls, supporting the arches, ways and the walls of the inner chambers, among other appropriate historical records, shall be affixed become tablets with complete rosters of all the armies operating in and around the Chickamanga and the Armies operating in and around the Chickamanga and the state commissions of each state, together with a roster of the governors and the state commissions of the Twenty-six states which have assisted in determining the lines of battle and in creeting the monuments.

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FINANCIAL BILL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The financial bill drafted by a special committee of Republican members was loady introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Overstreet, of Indiana, and accorded the distinction of being bill No. I on the records of the House. The text is as given out last week and members say this will be preserved as far as possible.

Mr. Overstreet stated that definite plans for advancing and passing the measure would be determined at the Republican caucus to be held tomorrow right.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The formal necessity and protest against the admission of Brigham H. Roberts to a cart in Congress was circulated in crinted form and placed on the desks; members during the day. The main solints are that Roberts is not a citizen since "at all times after 1883 he was find is a bigamist and polygamist contacts to the law;" that he has been prosecuted and punished for "unlaw-ul cohabitation with more than one voman;" that he was "born of British sarents within the British realm and

GEN. YOUNG'S BUNT FOR AGUINALDO

He Lxpects to Capture the Insurgent Lea

der at hongoet Pane.

(By Telegraph.)

MANILA, December 4,-10 F. M.—An Associated Press dispatch from Dagupan, with advices later than those from Santa Cruz, says that General Young hones to find Aguinaldo in Benguet anomatain pass and to capture him there. Both entrances to Benguet are tortified. The troops of the Third Cavalry will reinforce General Young in the pass.

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INSURGENTS HAD FLED.

MANILA, December 4.—16:30 P. M.—

An Associated Press dispatch from Santa Cruz, province of South Hecose, forwarded by courier to San Fabian, says that General Young, with three troops of the Third cavairy and Major Peyton C. March's battation of the Thirty-third infantry arrived at Santa Cruz to-day. The Americans left Hamapacah, province of Union this morning expecting a hard fight at Taguidin, but they found on arriving that 600 rebels, under General Tino, had evacuated 36 hours lefore, deserting an almost impregnable position.

bours to fore, descring an almost impregnable position.

The insurgents had been entrenched at Taguidin, on the north side of the river where a hundred well disciplined troops could have slaughtered a whole brigade crossing the river, with the men up to the arm pit in water.

The residents of Taguidin received the Americans outside the town with a brass band. They had been robbed of almost everything by the insurgents and were glad to welcome friendly and protecting troops.

A similar reception awaited General Young at Santa Cruz. Prominent citizens headed by a band, escorted the American officers to houses, where rest and refreshments were offered.

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the rebels into the maintains. There is no communication between his small command and any of the other American commands except indirectly by sighting and signalling United States gunboats bound to or fro Manila.

Captain Rumbold, with thirty-five men of Company G. Thirty-socond infantry, while escorting the signal corps laying the wire from Porac to Florida Blanca, charged and routed seventy insurgents, killing a captain and several privates. The Americans found on the captain the sword and revolves that were taken from the body of Naval Cadet Welborn C. Wood, who was killed by the insurgents while in command of the gunboat Urdaneta, when that vessel was captured in the Orani river.

INSURGENTS SLAIN.

MANILA, December 5.—9:05 A. M.—
Colonel Hoood, while reconnoitering near San Miguel, drave a force of insurgents from lidefonso, killing several. Five Americans were slightly wounded.

ROPHEIMERS IN HOT WATER.

Preferred Creditors of the Firm Su

A POLITICAL PUZZLE

Hard to Find Out Who's Governor-Elect in Kentucky.

CANVASSING THE VOTE

state Board of Election Commissioners at Work. Wrangle With the Secre works Come Later.

(By Telegraph.)

FRANKFORT, KY., Dec. 4.—Fiftyone counties were canvassed by the kentucky State Board of Election Commissioners today, out of a total of 119 in the state. Of these 51 counties, five were passed over to be considered immediately upon conclusion of the work of the canvassing board.

The counties canvassed gave Goebel a total vote of 74.164 and Taylor 68,978, The counties passed over are Christian, Fleming, Green, Hardan and Harrison, Theboard met at 11:30 in the office of the secretary of state, all three members, ex-Chief Justice Pryor, of the State Supreme Court; W. T. Ellis and C. B. Poyntz, being present. There was a clash between the commissioners and Secretary of State Finley who, by virtue of his office, acted, as custodian of the certificates received from the county boards of election.

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Finley at first refused to give up the returns except by countries, but finally delded and gave them all up to the mand

ment.

The county commissioners first certified to 1,95; votes for Goebel and 1,90; for Taylor. Later they discovered errors in the county and sent a substitute certificate giving Goebel 1,71 and Taylor 1,865. The county was passed by mutual consent of Democrats and Republicans.

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Green and Harlan counties were passed on account of alleged irregularities. The election commissioners of Harrison county had sent two certificates footing up differently, because of trouble in Cynthana. This was on account of an injunction issued against them by Judge Kimbrough, ordering them to certify for all the Republican candidates. The first certificate was filed in accordance with the injunction. The injunction being dissolved later, the second certificate was filed, making a difference of 153 votes in Taylor's count.

AT WORK AGAIN TODAY.

It will probably take the board the greater part of tomorrow to canvass the returns of she remaining counties and it will then resolve itself into a contesting board, adjourn to the large hall in which the legislature meets and for a time vocal fireworks will be in order. The real work that will count for the election of Goetel or Taylor will begin then and every inch will be

admitted. The board denied the re-quest as it had no power to go behind the certificate returns.

The city was very quiet today. There was not a semblance of a new of any kind during the day. Mayor Dahoney swore in sixty extra policemen.

The First Touch of Winter.

An few wind, which came up suddenly from the West, veehing gradually to the north and attaining considerable velocity, prevailed after 3 o'clock this morning. It was attended by a corresponding drop in the temperature.

Early risers were met by the first touch of wintry weather that has visited this section and those who were compelled by nature of their business or occupation to be on the streets as early as 4 o'clock had to bundle up well in order to protect themselves from the discomforts of the cold wave.

Yessels Arrived.

Steamer Avala (Fr.), Langworthy, Polladelphia, Steamer Shenandoah (Br.), Trinick, Liverpool, Steamer S. J. Murphy, Hoston, Steamer Katahdin, Melvin, New York,

Barge Antelope, New York, Barge R. Skolfields, New York, Barge Charmette, New York,

Vessels Salled.

Schooner R. W. Stevens, New Haven, Barge R. A. Thomas, Boston.

Calendar for This Day.

Weather Forecast.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Forecast for Virginia-Fair, continued cold Tuesday, Wednesday fair, with warmer in northern and western portions; fresh to brisk westerly winds, becoming southerly Wednesday.